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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2003-04 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 990

Introduced by Assembly Member Ridley-Thomas

February 20, 2003

An act to add Article 7 (commencing with Section 79250) to Chapter 9 of Part 48 of the Education Code, relating to community colleges.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 990, as amended, Ridley-Thomas. Community colleges: job training partnerships with community-based organizations.

Existing law authorizes the establishment of community college districts under the administration of community college governing boards, and authorizes these districts to provide instruction at community college campuses throughout the state.

This bill would authorize the Office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges to award a grant to each qualifying community college campus that enters into a collaborative agreement with a community-based organization, as defined, to provide specific job training services. The bill would require the chancellor, prior to awarding these grants, to develop and adopt regulations that set forth procedures for community colleges to apply and qualify for the receipt of these grants. The bill would provide that the implementation of is contingent upon an appropriation for its purposes in the annual Budget Act.

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Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Article 7 (commencing with Section 79250) is added to Chapter 9 of Part 48 of the Education Code, to read:

Article 7. Job Training Partnerships with Community-Based Organizations

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- 79250. (a) It is the intent of the Legislature to accomplish all of the following:
- (1) To diversify the job training partnership funding options of the California Community Colleges in the interests of providing the knowledge and skills that all Californians need to ensure their economic sustainability.
- (2) To support and utilize the best job training resources in the state to conquer California's workforce development challenges.
- (3) To promote and sustain, wherever possible, effective strategic job training partnerships between the California Community Colleges and community-based organizations.
- (4) To remove unnecessary limitations in the degree to which state, federal, and private funds can be leveraged to maximize California's workforce development outcomes.
- (b) The Office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges may award a grant to each qualifying community college campus that enters into a collaborative agreement with a community-based organization to provide specific job training services.
- (c) Prior to exercising the discretion, granted under this article, to award grants for the purposes of this article, the chancellor shall develop and adopt regulations that set forth procedures for community colleges to apply and qualify for the receipt of grants for the purposes of this article. The chancellor shall also require that all grants awarded for purposes of this article contain appropriate evaluation criteria.
- 79251. As used in this article, "community-based organization" means an organization that meets the requirements

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- of paragraph (3) of subsection (c) of Section 501 of Title 26 of the United States Code as that provision exists on January 1, 2003.
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- 79252. The implementation of this article is contingent upon an appropriation for its purposes in the annual Budget Act.